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Supt. Tuthill's Average Attendance Figures.

A STATEMENT THAT ISN'T ACCURATE

Only the Primary Rooms Overcrowded

New Policy of Board of Education

Two Ways in Which Overcrowding Could Quickly Be Relieved

The average daily attendance at the public schools of this city during the past month was 1,841. This is sixty-five more than for the corresponding period of last year.

The pupils have been seated seventy-five in a room, or twenty-five more than the room was built for.

The above figures are furnished by the superintendent of schools, J. F. Tuthill. At first glance they seem all right, but as that shrewd old Yankee Uncle "Laphet" Potter, used to say: "Let's do a little calculation."

"The city has two ward schools of eight rooms each and three of four rooms each. With fifty pupils in a room they have accommodations for 1,400 pupils, leaving 441 to be accommodated at the high school building, which has accommodations for 600.

With seventy-five pupils in a room the ward schools will accommodate 2,100 pupils, or 250 more than the average attendance, and the high school building with accommodations for 600 left entirely out of the calculation.

The fact of the matter is that Superintendent Tuthill's last paragraph conveys an most erroneous impression. We don't say that it was designed to do this for we don't assume ability to follow Mr. Tuthill's mental processes but we just make a guess that the paragraph in question would have been worded differently if it had not been for that new school house scheme recently hatched by the Board of Education. What the Superintendent should have said, had he studied that accuracy of expression which we hope requires the teachers to insist upon from pupils, is that "in a few of the rooms intended to seat fifty pupils, seventy-five are now seated."

It is only the primary rooms that are overcrowded and a member of the Board of Education says that to the best of his information only four of them have too many pupils.

In other years when there has been danger of overcrowding the primary rooms the pressure has been relieved by renting school rooms outside. There are two rooms in the Winchester building which have been used for school purposes in former years, in which there are new seats and desks, which can be used at any time that the Board of Education sees fit to provide teachers for these rooms. If this were done there would be no reason to complain of overcrowding in the school buildings.

The overcrowding could easily be relieved in another way,—putting the little ones on half-time and allowing part of them to attend school in the morning and another part in the afternoon. A great many who are interested in educational work are of the opinion that half a day is long enough to confine a small child in a school room, and that they make as good progress under the half-time system as when they attend for the whole day. Certain it is that as good results would be obtained by half a day's attendance as by overcrowding the rooms and thus imposing needless burdens on teachers whose tasks are hard enough, and making it impossible for them to give the necessary time and attention to backward pupils.

The Board of Education can relieve the overcrowded primary rooms in twenty-four hours if it sees fit to do so. We don't assume to know the motives that prompt the present policy, but we venture the prediction that a new school building does not lie at the end of the road the Board is traveling.

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AT THE PLAY.

Large Audience Enjoyed Hoyt's "A Milk White Flag."

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Among the men, Peter Dunne, the "Colonel," was very good, and the "General," although it was his first appearance with the company, played the lines he knew and faked the rest so beautifully that the cute vivandieres giggled. John S. Marble, the undertaker, was an honest actor even if he did remove the trousers before the burial of a live corpse. "Chip," the only private in the regiment, was a clever little comedian who kept the gallery shouting with laughter.

The company went east on the Mountain Express, this morning, after sharp shot fends had boxed most of the girls, who seemed to delight in posing for them.

LOW RATES OF FARE.

Offered by the Erie on Account of G. A. R. Encampment and Baptist Anniversaries.

On account of Grand Army of the Republic State Encampment, the Erie will sell special excursion tickets from Middletown, N. Y., to Saratoga, N. Y., and return, on May 15, 16 and 17, at the rate of \$6.05 for the round trip. Tickets good for return to and including May 19.

On account of National Baptist Anniversaries to be held at San Francisco, Cal., the Erie will sell excursion tickets from Middletown to San Francisco, Cal., and return, at rate of \$8.75. Tickets good going May 14, 15 and 16. The return limit being July 16, 1899. On going trip stop over will be allowed at any point west of Missouri River or St. Paul on condition that passenger reaches San Francisco not later than May 25, 1899. Returning stop over will be allowed at any point west of Chicago, St. Louis or Cincinnati. It

Entertainment at the North Street Chapel.

The entertainment at the North Street Chapel, Tuesday night, drew a good-sized audience which heartily enjoyed the programme. The latter included choruses, solo by Mrs. Bowman, quartet consisting of Mesdames Lyon, Remont, Clark and Eaton, tableaux, solo by Mrs. Lyon, recitation by Vina Kaffen, solo by Miss Armstrong and a recitation by Miss Jessie Devore. Cake and ice cream were served.

Newburgh Hat Shop Resumed Work.

After a shut down of several weeks the differences between Ferry A. Snyder, proprietor of the Newburgh hat factory, and his employees, were amicably adjusted, Tuesday morning. The terms of settlement have not been made public. The wage schedule agreed on, will, it is said, extend until March 1. The factory was started up this morning.

Out on His Little Brother's Flippers.

Elmer Heiser, who lives near Revonah Lake, has two little boys, aged four and two years respectively. Going home the other evening, he was surprised to find that the older one had taken a bathtub and chopped off two fingers of his brother's right hand.

Rain for the Just and Unjust, but None for Middletown.

There was a very heavy rain and hail storm south and west of this city, Monday afternoon and Tuesday night. A very slight sprinkle, not enough to lay the dust. A shower also passed north of this city.

Sailed for Europe.

Mr. and Mrs. G. I. Austin and three children, of Slate Hill, went to New York, Tuesday night, and to-day sailed for London on the Menominee.

Orange County Sunday School Association.

The twenty-third annual convention of the Orange County Sunday School Association will be held in the Presbyterian Church at Goshen, May 11th.

The Stomach's Woes.

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Two Places in Pine Bush Entered.

PROBABLY WORK OF LOCAL TALENT

Bicycle and Quantity of Cutlery Taken from McKinley & Ward's Hardware Store—Fences and Express Packages Stolen from Station.

Burglars paid a visit to Pine Bush, Tuesday night, and succeeded in getting away undisturbed after entering the depot and the hardware store of McKinley & Ward.

The hardware store was entered by breaking open a window in the rear. This morning the firm found that a Davidson bicycle, No. 3093, and \$45 worth of cutlery had been stolen. About \$50 worth of cutlery bearing the firm's name was left behind. Nothing else about the premises had been disturbed and the thieves went away leaving the door open open but they should make no noise in closing it.

The depot was also visited some time during the night. Here a few packages and four express packages were taken.

There is no clue as to how the thieves came or went from the village, there being no wagon tracks which would indicate where they had driven or where the horse had been tied. The robbery is believed to have been the work of some parties in the immediate vicinity or who came down from the mountains, for no educated burglar would have taken a bicycle.

The post office in the hardware store which was entered but nothing belonging to it was disturbed.

Descriptions of the stolen property were telegraphed the police here, to-day, and Mr. Ward, of the hardware firm, drove here about noon and gave the authorities full details of the robbery.

ORANGE CO. MEDICAL SOCIETY

Ninety-fourth Annual Meeting—Officers Elected—Other Business Transacted.

The ninety-fourth annual meeting of the Orange County Medical Society was held in the Board of Supervisors' room in the county building at Goshen, Tuesday afternoon. Dr. H. H. Harbison, of Port Jervis, presided. The following new members were elected: H. A. Waldron, Newburgh; A. A. Bard, Cornwall; G. Fred Pitts, Warwick; James L. Kortright, Middletown; Mary Ella Dunning, Newburgh; and Mathew W. Dubois, Washingtonville.

The following officers were elected: President—J. B. Peters, Walpole. Vice President—W. L. Purdy, Middletown.

Secretary—Dr. T. D. Mella, Middletown. Treasurer—T. D. Condit, Goshen. Censors—H. N. Knapp, Port Jervis; C. E. Redford, Middletown; L. R. Price, Newburgh; J. W. Deane, Unionville; H. B. Robinson, Goshen.

Committee of Arrangements—R. V. K. Montfort, Newburgh; W. L. Cuddeback, Port Jervis; T. D. Mella, Middletown.

Auditing Committee—W. E. Donahue, Middletown; E. A. Nugent, Unionville; and G. H. Brown, Highland Falls.

Palmation of Officers—J. H. Howell, Newburgh; D. B. Harbison, Middletown; and T. W. Banks, Port Jervis.

Dr. Mills reported the death of Dr. Harvett Everett, of this city.

Dr. Howell reported the death of Dr. J. H. Wood, at Havana, he having been a member from Newburgh.

Dr. Bard reported the death of Dr. A. L. Brown, of Cornwall.

Dr. D. B. Harbison was delegated to prepare a memorial of Dr. Everett.

Dr. Howell, of Dr. Brown, and Dr. Gleason, of Dr. Wood.

Dr. Harbison gave the president's address at the juncture and added some interesting notes.

A paper on "The Doctor as a Carrier of Disease" was given by Dr. Howell and discussed by Drs. Gleason, Kortright, Mills, Goshen and Harbison.

Dr. Cuddeback, of Port Jervis, told of a case of recurring appendicitis, and of a solution of salt injection. Dr. Jova related the fact that lung cancer which was described in the Annals.

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